

WHO WILL WIN OUT?

Question That Is Now on the Lips of Every Washingtonian.

Triangular Fight for Senatorial Term Is Creating Intense Rivalry Between the People of Tacoma and Seattle.

The "stevedore candidate," Edward S. Hamilton, of Tacoma, Wash., is the most interesting figure in the approaching campaign for the honor of representing the state of Washington in the United States senate. Hamilton, a natural political leader, a man of long experience in the art of whipping his followers into line, has long been considered a probable successor of Senator Addison S. Foster. The expiration of Foster's term is drawing near, and in the face of considerable opposition, the genial senator is asking his constituents for reelection. And now Hamilton, the stevedore "boss," although long a staunch supporter of the incumbent, has come forward with a public announcement of his candidacy.

The Chicago Record-Herald says that the campaign is more than a personal contest between Foster and Hamilton. It is a strife between cities, for Seattle and Tacoma are and always have been keen rivals for this honor. Foster is Tacoma's man, and "Stevedore" Hamilton mapped out the campaign which won him the office. Seattle already has a candidate in the field—Samuel Piles, a clever corporation lawyer. The natural result of Hamilton's intrusion of his personality into the fight will be to split the strength of the Tacoma clans and to transform what had been an "old guard" of political power into two bickering groups of partisans.

The rivalry, industrial and political, between two young, virile, growing cities of the west far surpasses the trivial exchanges of pleasantries in which eastern municipalities indulge. Tacoma's dilemma, with two strong candidates in the field, to oppose to the well-entrenched of the Seattle cohorts, is therefore causing dismay in the hearts of the politicians of the former city.

The opposition to Senator Foster, which has arisen this summer, is due to a feeling that he lacks "backbone." Foster's smiling face and cheery laugh have won him a host of friends, even his



EDWARD S. HAMILTON.
Prominent Candidate for Senator from Washington State.

political enemies, but there is a sentiment, which is daily gathering strength, that Washington needs a fighter in the chamber. The state wants money for harbor improvements, federal buildings, lighthouses, land surveys and a hundred other things, and it also wants a man in the senate who will work until he gets the appropriations. For this reason the aggressive "stevedore" is more popular in the Tacoma ranks than the sociable Foster.

Hamilton has been a member of the state senate for three sessions. He knows men, has a genius for planning campaigns, is a man who does things, and does them thoroughly. Never before has Tacoma and Pierce county had a political leader like him. He contributed more than any other one man to the election of Foster in the last senatorial campaign. He outlined the fight which won friends for Foster, while the John L. Wilson and Levi Ankeny factions were in deadlock, and carried his man through to victory.

Hamilton's fighting qualities made him the leader of the railroads in their struggle during the last two sessions to prevent the passage of a bill creating a state railroad commission. As chairman of the appropriations committee he introduced New York methods into the legislature, with the result that no appropriation bill can be attached to another measure, however meritorious, thereby placing each measure upon its merits.

He was born in Brooklyn in July, 1865, and was graduated from the Westchester County Institute, of Peekskill, in 1882. Six years later he moved to this state and opened a real estate office at Port Townsend. In October, 1888, he entered the employ of the Puget Sound Stevedore company as bookkeeper, afterward becoming manager. Soon afterward he became a member of the firm of McCabe & Hamilton, which now does 90 per cent. of the stevedoring work on Puget sound. The firm uses electric conveyors of its own invention, which have contributed largely toward mak-

ing Tacoma the port where heavy cargo, inward and outward, is handled, at less cost per ton than in any other port in the world. Hamilton's political experience began in New York, where for four years he was assistant to Gen. J. W. Husted, known as the "Bald Eagle of Westchester."

Color of Iron Ore.
The only metal that is found in more than one color is iron, which appears in almost every shade.

COL. W. A. PLEDGER.

This well known Georgia politician stated in his paper that the members of the Suffrage League were disappointed because they could not run the Afro-American Council. Editor Pledger, however, is not a member of the Afro-American Council. Not a member of the Afro-American Council has ever been a member of the Suffrage League. And had the editor of the Afro-American Council accepted the invitation of the Suffrage League he would have gone with him two years ago to Indianapolis, Ind., and not to the Washington Stevedore League. We have never had any faith in the Afro-American Council and its editor, Col. Pledger, because he was in his city a few summers ago "cursing" Booker Washington, the Afro-American Council's glitzy youth and all other negroes who had big jobs. Shut your mouth, Pledger, and take a swim with Foster. If you both were thrown in a two foot creek, you would struggle in inconspicuousness. Continue to support the democrats of Georgia and then come to Washington and tell the negroes in the North to vote the republican ticket.

INDUSTRIAL WORK.

What The Armstrong School Is Doing.

Since the appointment of Dr. W. Bruce Evans, Director of the Armstrong School, he has made an invasion of the State of Maryland. He has now introduced his system of Manual Training in Prince George's County which has aroused the state authorities to such an extent that it is likely that the state superintendent of Public Instruction will introduce the industrial system of Dr. Evans throughout the State. The Director of Manual Training is growing daily in demand.

AMONG THE WORKMEN.

At the regular convocation of Simon Commandery, No. 2, K. T., the Officers of Simon and Mt. Calvary Commanderies were installed jointly. Sir N. Robinson, R. E. G. C., was installing officer with Sir J. W. Freeman, R. E. C., as Grand Marshal.

St. John's Chapter, No. 7, H. R. A. M., at their annual convocation, held Oct. 28, the following officers were elected: Companion W. H. J. Malvin, H. P., Companion F. D. Henry, Secretary, Companion W. H. Stevens, Treasurer, Companion D. A. Chase, Treasurer, Companion W. H. Sevelson, Secretary.

The Grand Commandery of K. T. for the temple jurisdiction have elected the following: Sir Geo. S. Newman, R. E. G. C., Sir W. H. J. Malvin, V. E. D. G. C., Sir H. L. Livingston, Grand Generalissimo, Sir W. H. Hutchinson, G. T. G. C., Sir J. F. N. Wilkison, G. P. P., Sir J. R. Pryor, G. S. W., Sir A. H. Stevens, G. J. W., Sir M. H. Robinson, G. T., Sir J. O. Bampfield, E. G. R.

The Sixth Annual Field Day was held in Washington, D. C., Sept. 7, 1903. The next meeting will be held in Wilmington, Del. Sept. 5, 1904. These Field Days are always largely attended.

BISHOP JOHNSON.

From the New Haven, Conn., Evening Leader.

The name and achievements of Frederick Douglass will live forever in American history. This man who did so much for the colored race and for the white race, too, has been frequently discussed by leading orators of this and other countries. Foremost lecturers of this nation and Europe have made Frederick Douglass the subject of many interesting discussions, hence W. Bishop Johnson, Pastor of the Second Baptist Church, at Washington, D. C., undertook no minor task last evening when before the people of the Immanuel Baptist Church he began the discussion of Frederick Douglass, his life, ambitions and achievements.

It is much to Mr. Johnson's credit therefore to say that the lecture was unquestionably the most interesting discussion of Frederick Douglass the people of New Haven have ever been privileged to listen to. Bishop Johnson's public addresses have become familiar to people in many sections of the United States, for his eloquent Dr. William J. Simmons, his lecture on "National Perils," his discussion of Robert G. Shaw, his splendid address entitled, "The Church as a Factor in the Race Problem," and many other similar productions have been widely read and sincerely complimented. Mr. Johnson is an orator, an interesting speaker whatever the subject he discusses. His lecture last evening so delighted the audience that we understand that an effort is to be made to have it repeated at a later date in the Hyperion or some other public building that will accommodate those who desire to hear him.

ROBERT W. WILCOX DEAD.

Former Delegate in Congress from Hawaii Had Remarkable Career.
Honolulu, Oct. 24.—Robert Wilcox,

ex-Congressional delegate from Hawaii, died today of consumption. Wilcox was the home rule candidate for sheriff, and was in the midst of an active campaign. Over-exertion brought on hemorrhages. There is a great mourning among the natives, with whom, owing to his Hawaiian blood, Wilcox was very popular.

Robert William Wilcox was born in Honolulu, the island of Maui, February 13, 1855. His father was a native of Newport, R. I., and his ancestors were originally established in America in 1630. Mr. Wilcox's mother was a pure native of the island of Maui, a descendant of the King Kaula of Maui in 1700.

Mr. Wilcox received his first education in a common school called "Halekula boarding school," in Makawao, island of Maui. He later received an academic education at the Royal Military Academy in Turin, Italy, 1881 to 1885. He became a subaltern in the Italian army, and in 1885 entered the Royal Application School for Engineers and Artillery Officers at Turin. In 1887 he was recalled to his native country by his country, and three years later was elected to the legislature as a representative from Waialuku, island of Maui. He was elected again in 1890 from Honolulu, and in 1893 from Honolulu, island of Oahu.

Fifteenth Amendment. Even the latter will undoubtedly be effected, unless the other questions are speedily set at rest. The Northern politicians, who have posed as friends of the negro, have instilled into him the idea that his salvation lies in the ballot, while in fact it has so far proven only a curse because the race, if leaders would let these negroes and the white people of the South could be properly assured by the leaders of the colored race that they have no inclination to at any time to question the right of the Caucasian political supremacy, and no desire to mix or amalgamate the races socially, the so-called negro question would be immediately solved. Since these conditions can never be changed, and the white race can never be expected to part from them, it would be the wisest course for the negro to accept them as final for once and for all, and to develop a society of his own. There exists no more reason why he should want to mix socially with the white people, than that the white people should want to mix socially with him. The negro should remember that every act of his, and every act of his misguided white friends (7) which tends to disturb the position of the dominant race on these questions, or presumes to set them aside, can result only in resentment and ultimate injury

other man within the confines of this great country are sufficient to keep S. Franchise and Citizenship within the grasp of the American Negro "to the latter born" an American among Americans. We do most emphatically declare:—

1. That the time is here when the Negro of this entire country must make organized effort for the maintenance of the Negro Suffrage in every State of the Union.
2. That the open and daring attack upon the 14th and 15th Amendments by the Carmacks, Hardwicks, Williams and Vardmans, is but the return of the Slave Power of the South, which having by illegal enactments disfranchised the black men of the South, now boldly and arrogantly seeks to enslave the Negro of the North, East and West.
3. To meet the schemes and political intrigues of these enemies of the Constitution, these men would destroy Negro citizenship, and bring about peace—both civil and political, we must gather in National assemblage, and use the political power which we now possess in self-defense to the end that the slavery of the South may be abolished, and that slavery in the North may not come.

APPOINTMENT OF DELEGATES.
We recommend that the number of

THE NEGRO DISFRANCHISED

THE FIRST STEP INTO A NEW SLAVERY



SENATOR TILLMAN IN CONGRESS—"We do our best to keep every negro in our State from voting."

His sketch in the Congressional Record says: Mr. Wilcox was ever a fearless leader for his countrymen. Against the oppressors of his fellow countrymen he led two revolutions, one on July 30, 1889, and the other in January, 1895. These were fought in the interest of the attempt to restore to the throne Queen Liliuokalani. In both of these revolutions the leader failed on account of not aving the proper arms to support the movement. He was acquitted in the first attempt by a jury of his countrymen, because the King was a factor in it. Mr. Wilcox was later sentenced to death by the Dole oligarchy but this action was prevented by the action of the American Congress, which intervened. The sentence was commuted to thirty five years imprisonment at hard labor and a fine of \$50,000. In January, 1896, he was conditionally pardoned by President Dole and fully pardoned two years later.

He was elected as the first delegate from Hawaii to the fifty-sixth Congress, Nov. 6, 1900. Prince Joboh Kuhio Kalaniana'ole was elected to succeed him in the fifth-eighth Congress.

LAST STAGES OF CONSUMPTION.

The Colored American, which has periodical convulsions which necessitate it remaining in two and three weeks, was given an injection on Tuesday last of scraps which I intend to give it life again. Its dejected form showed that it had been waking on crutches for some time because it was peppered with old scab faces which are all ways seen when it gets in this condition. Dr. Washington has withdrawn his medical skill some time ago, and Justice I feel has come to the conclusion that it is useless for him continue saving it from semi monthly collapse. The Colored American is in the last stages of Consumption.

THE BEST POLICY FOR THE NEGRO TO PURSUE.

(From the Asheville, N. C. Citizen.)

As is generally known, illiterate negroes have been deprived of the ballot in many of the Southern states; in fact all where that vote is heavy enough to have any effect. There are two causes for this: First—Experience has shown that the illiterate negro vote is purchasable and therefore conducive of corruption. Second—The white people of the states affected saw in that vote a danger of a possible attempt of an overthrow of existing conditions. Those conditions are an unquestioned Caucasian control of the affairs of government, and a decisive line of demarcation between the two races socially. A disquieting and foolish agitation of these things, caused by acts of the negro's false friends, has produced a demand for local ballot-restricting laws, and the repeal of the

to the weaker race. These things are neither essential nor advantageous to the negro, so far as his material progress and elevation goes, and so soon as he fully recognizes that fact and joins hands with the white people in forever crushing out all such foolish ideas, so soon will he have taken the longest step forward in his own material betterment, and found a friend always ready to give him every aid and comfort.

FALL RACES.

The Washington Jockey Club will begin the "Fall Races" soon and then all Washington will turn out. Mr. S. T. Watson, the astute and wide awake Secretary, who succeeded Mr. L. H. Chase as Secretary of the Jockey Club, has opened his headquarters in hotel Barton. He is a very busy man now getting things in shape for the coming races, which promises to be the largest ever held in Washington, D. C. The races will begin Monday, November 16th and continue until December 5th. Some of the most prominent citizens of Washington will not only attend the races at Benning, but there is always the very best of order maintained at all times. Mr. Jesse Brown, the President of the club, does all in his power to please his patrons. Mr. Watson, the general Secretary has already made a host of friends, and the wish of the Bee is that he will continue to succeed in his new position.

A CALL FOR A NATIONAL NEGRO SUFFRAGE CONVENTION.

In Obedience to a Resolution Unanimously passed at the Ninth Annual Convention of the Afro-American League of the State of Pennsylvania held at Harrisburg, Aug. 11th and 12th, 1903.

We hereby issue a call for a National Negro Suffrage Convention to be held in Washington, D. C., Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 14th and 15th, 1903.

PURPOSE: To devise and put into operation such means as will break up Southern Disfranchisement and preserve the full and equal civil and political rights of the American Citizens, regardless of color and race.

Liberty is the breath of life. It is the heritage of every American Citizen however lowly. "Eternal Vigilance," the price of liberty, must be exercised by every citizen and every race that would be free. For freedom we have given our lives upon fields of battle; have christened our citizenship in a baptism of blood, and have marched through the gates of death to reach this priceless boon. And yet, these sacrifices, which have placed freedom and citizenship in the hands of every

the delegates from each state be equal to the number of congressmen from said state.

Robert J. Nelson, President
A. A. League of Pa.
F. L. Jefferson, Secretary,
A. A. League of Pa.
For further information apply to
Jas. H. Hayes, Attorney-at-Law,
Washington, D. C.

October 16th, 1903.
All delegates when elected are directed to send credentials to the District of Columbia Local Suffrage League.
Rev. S. L. Corrothers, Pres.
Wash. Suff. League.
W. Calvin Chase, Ch'm Ex.
Com. Wash. Suff. League.
L. M. King, Sec'y, Wash. Suff. League.

Charges by Gorman Denied

Negroes Declare They Are Not Seeking Social Equality.

Meeting of Their League Calls on Colored Men to Vote the Republican Ticket—Washington Dinner Discussed.

Resolutions condemning the attitude of Sen. Arthur P. Gorman on the negro question, thanking President Roosevelt, and calling upon negro voters in the North to support the Republican ticket in the coming election were passed last Thursday night by the local Suffrage League. The meeting was held at 8 o'clock at Shiloh Baptist Church. The resolutions were offered by editor W. Calvin Chase and supported in addresses by a number of colored men of the city.

Rev. J. Anderson Taylor, pastor of the church, presided. A musical programme was rendered by Miss Beatrice Chase and Master W. Calvin Chase, Jr., and Mrs. A. V. Chase.
Rev. J. Anderson Taylor made the first address in support of the resolutions. Among other speakers were W. Calvin Chase, Chairman of the Executive Committee, and Rev. S. L. Corrothers, President of the local league, an attorney Thomas L. Jones of the District Bar.

The next meeting will be held in the Second Baptist Church, Thursday evening, November 5th.

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U. S. MARINE CORPS.

Command of This Body Transferred to Gen. Elliott.

New Chief Is One of the Most Popular Officers in the Service and Has Done Excellent Work in Many Places.

The formal transfer of the command of the United States marine corps from Maj. Gen. Charles Heywood to Brig. Gen. George F. Elliott took place recently at the headquarters of the corps in Washington, and was attended by all the officers of the corps stationed in that city. There were no special formalities beyond the reading of the official orders for the retirement of Gen. Heywood and the assignment of Gen. Elliott to the command. Each of the officers made a short address suitable to the occasion, and at their conclusion the two held a reception to allow the members of the corps to take official leave of their retiring commander, and to pay their respects to the new commandant. The clerical force of the office also called in a body and paid its respects.

Gen. Elliott is one of the most popular and efficient officers in the service. His promotion was based entirely on merit, and mainly in recognition of his meritorious services during the Spanish war and the insurrection in the Philippines.

A native of Alabama, he was appointed a second lieutenant in the marine corps from New York October 12, 1870.

When Gen. Elliott was attached to the Monongahela, of the South Atlantic station, in 1875, yellow fever broke out on that vessel while she was lying in the harbor of Rio de Janeiro. Despite the fact that he could have had leave and gone to the mountains, he of his own volition remained with the ship and his men, and when the assistant surgeon of the vessel was taken down with fever, volunteered to assist the surgeon in so far as his ability would permit, and he performed valuable service.

He served with the marine battalion in the railroad strikes of 1877, and in 1878 served under Gen. Heywood with the marine battalion on the isthmus of Panama.

While in command of the marine guard of the flagship Baltimore, of the Asiatic



GEN. GEORGE F. ELLIOTT.
(New Commandant of the United States Marine Corps.)

station, in 1894, he marched his guard from Chemulpo to Seoul to protect the American legation at the latter place, the Chinese-Japanese war being in progress and Corea, the scene of hostilities. This was a night march of 31 miles, accomplished in 11 hours. Gen. Elliott commanded the legation guard for three months subsequent to this time.

The scene of hostilities having been transferred, he was ordered with the marine guard to Tientsin, which he helped to protect during the winter. Later on, at the request of Mr. Denby, then American minister at Peking, he acted as aid to that official on the occasion to the first audience ever granted by the Chinese emperor to foreigners. In order to perform this duty Gen. Elliott was compelled to make the trip on horseback, passing through about 25,000 undisciplined Chinese troops, suffering constant insult and running no little personal risk.

During the Spanish-American war, in 1898, Gen. Elliott commanded company C of the marine battalion during the four days' battle at Guantanamo, Cuba, and later, while in command of a battalion of 250 men, defeated the Spanish in a spirited battle at Cuzco Valley, after killing and taking a number of prisoners in addition to destroying the wells which were the source of the enemy's water supply. This fight resulted in giving security to the marine camp on Guantanamo Hill, and for his conduct in this battle the president advanced Elliott three numbers for "eminent and conspicuous conduct in battle."

Gen. Elliott having been ordered to the Philippines, in command of a battalion of marines on October 8, 1899, defeated the enemy over very bad ground, and captured, by direct assault, a position at Novaleja which had been deemed impregnable by the Spanish and before which they once lost an entire regiment. For this service he received a commendatory letter from the secretary of the navy. He has had almost 14 years at sea and foreign service, and has always rendered a good account of himself.

BY THE



They Say

Don't be false to any one.
Be honest and act well towards your friends.
Remember that honesty is the best policy.
There are some people who are very jealous.
Some people are false to every one.

The Democratic Party is on the outlook for voters.

Georgia republicans should be careful how they throw.

Two new Judges of the Police court will be appointed.

The white people in this country will be convinced that they can not elect a leader for the negro.

The democratic party is organizing.

Senator Gorman may secure the democratic nomination.

In union there is strength for that reason the white people want an apologist to lead the negro race.

The Afro-American council is a thing of the past.

There are to be no office holders members of the suffrage association.

Rev. S. L. Corrothers will make a strong president of the new suffrage association.

The negro (?) of Tennessee will be weighed in the balance and found wanting.

The most successful man in the United States is the one who can succeed.

The colored attorney will organize some time in the near future.

We do not know it all and it is well to take the advice of our friends.

Think of those who are your friends and who will treat you well.

The Business League that met at Nashville Tenn., was a good force.

The United American that was going to swallow the world of negroes made its appearance last week.

It was a hard struggle for life and when it did appear there were many old faces put in to save composition.

A newspaper with a circulation of ten thousand ought to be able to withstand chronic dyspepsia.

Look out for the National suffrage association.

Do not imagine that you are the entire country because you have a little money.

W. J. Bryan is a man who thinks he knows it all.

The Evening Star thinks Booker Washington is a great man.

The Bee would have a similar opinion of other negro spokesmen.

Our contemporary should attend to its own business and allow the negro to act on his own leader.

The Bee is of the opinion that the negro race is being betrayed.

Senator H. C. W. is no at all disturbed in his ability to talk about the national championship of any party.

Let us first select a review and then let us talk about a great man.

The Bee is the Clarendon Avenue of his city and the proper Reverend of even.

It is no A. T. American but a simple man pure and simple.

It does not believe in the Planets, this is a fact and it needs a Torchlight that will Appeal to the reason of the people.

The Bee needs a Guardian to keep it straight.

The only way to succeed is to succeed.

Let us have qualified suffrage.

There is a division in the ranks of the republican party.

Negroes are easily deceived.

There is a great deal for the negro to learn.

Why can't colored men unite?

The most successful editor is the one who is able to command the respect of the people.

Have you read The Bee, if not do so at once.

There are lots of frauds in this country.

Look out for the man who claims to be a great cash subscriber for the Bee.

The merchants are warned to look out for a man who claims to represent The Bee.

HERMITAGE IS SAVED.

Nashville, Tenn., to Keep Old Andrew Jackson Home as the General's Home.

The old Hermitage, which witnessed the life of one of the most picturesque of the nation's chief executives, is safe.

The people of Nashville are breathing a sigh of relief, for the home of Andrew Jackson is in their possession, and the spirits of the old times in wandering through the mansion will find everything just as it was when they were among the gay throngs that filled the house.

It was through the efforts of the Ladies' Hermitage Association of Nashville, that the Hermitage has been restored to the condition in which it was at the time of the general's death.

The beautiful grounds with their velvet lawns and big trees, the wide driveway, along which the coaches rolled to the door of the mansion, are all unchanged from the time when it was the home of the president of the United States.

For nearly 50 years the state has held

the house, and the people seemed content to let it remain there until lately, when they saw a great treasure trove of Gen. Jackson's possessions slipping through their fingers unless they bestrid themselves.

The state's first object in buying the house from Andrew Jackson, Jr., adopted son of "Old Hickory," was to offer it to the government for a branch of West Point. The civil war broke out before the plan could be consummated.

Col. Andrew Jackson, son of Andrew Jackson, Jr., gave the south his aid in fighting for his freedom. After serving in the confederate army he came back to the Hermitage and lived with his mother until her death. By her will he inherited the household furniture, ornaments and relics of his famous grandsire.

Recently a rumor was afloat that Col. Jackson was about to sell his heritage to a New Englander.

The Difference.

Mrs. Jones—When a Turkish husband wants a divorce all he has to do is to say "I divorce you" three times and he is divorced.

Mr. Jones—Huh! If an American husband tried that he wouldn't want a divorce, but an undertaker—Judge.

Mystery Not Solved.

Ruggles—Woman is a mystery. Rains—Thought you were to solve it by getting married.

"I did, in part, but I can't understand yet why she's afraid of a mouse but will wear a rat in her hair."—Yonkers Statesman.

THE DAMES AND MISSES.

Mrs. Lionel Ross Anthony, a graceful writer on economic subjects for the Denver Post, has been appointed a world's fair commissioner for Colorado by Gov. Peabody.

None of the Rockefellers has actually "arrived" in fashionable society as yet, but Mrs. Percy Rockefeller, daughter-in-law of William, is moving toward the sacred portal and probably soon will enter. She was Miss Isabel Stillman, is young, tactful and gifted with a manner whose cordiality makes friends rapidly. Her husband is very popular in tennis and racquet club sets, being also an enthusiastic horseman.

Mrs. J. Pierpont Morgan was "the cynosure of all eyes" at the recent election of the Colonial Dames at New York. Contrary to the expectations of those who did not know her it was found that she dresses simply and her black hat was small and shapely and a thick veil covered her face. The decision of the women who saw her was embraced in the word "frumpy." Mrs. Morgan's disposition is exceedingly retiring and whenever she appears in public she seems ill at ease.

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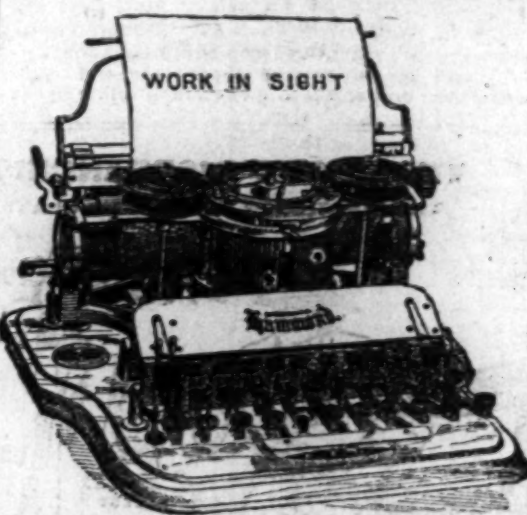
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Mrs. Bacon—Ready and willing are synonymous terms, are they not? Mr. Bacon—Not always. For instance, you are always willing to go to the theater, but you're not always ready—Till-Bits.

Professional Opinion.

Softleigh—I say, doctor, do you—aw—believe that liquor really affects a man's brain?

Physician—Yes, if he has any. Otherwise it affects his legs.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Lights.

"Well, I suppose Rockefeller lives according to his lights."

"I don't know. Sometimes I think other people's lights have more to do with it."—D. All Page Boston.

BUZZING ALARM CLOCK

Successfully Used to Hunt a Burglar Who Was Armed with a Six-Shooter.

Ernest Saldier, who had been employed as lineman for the Rocky Mountain Bell Telephone company, in Anaconda, Mont., had a thrilling experience with a bold burglar one night recently. Saldier repaired to his home quite early during the evening, and at ten o'clock was fast asleep, dreaming of fortunes to be his in after years.

Saldier reports that about 10:30 o'clock he was awakened by a noise at the window. He raised his head, and was startled to see a stranger making his way toward the bed. Saldier was not at all certain as to what course to pursue, yet he felt that he could not afford to lose the \$145 in cash and a



THREW CLOCK AT BURGLAR.

gold watch and chain which were in his clothes not far distant from his bed. He looked about him for a weapon with which to attack the midnight intruder, but could find nothing that seemed at all likely to put him on an equal footing with the man, who he had a big six-shooter in his hand, as he approached. Driven to desperation Saldier grabbed the alarm clock resting on a nearby table, and with a yell that would have done credit to an Indian, he threw the now buzzing alarm clock at the burglar.

The intruder was so dazed by the blow from the clock that he hardly knew which way to turn. He made his get-away quickly, however, and was out of the window and gone before Saldier decided on another move. Saldier considers that he escaped from the thief quite luckily.

FIGHT WITH COYOTE.

Woman Attacks Beast, Aided by a Dog, and Ends Its Life with Blow from Ax.

Mrs. C. P. Horton, who lives on a ranch near Falcon, Col., had an experience recently that she will not soon forget, in the shape of a battle with a ferocious coyote. In the end the woman and her pet shepherd dog, Nero, were the victors, and the brute was dispatched with an ax.

Mrs. Horton and her dog were near the ranch house when a hungry and fierce-looking coyote attacked the dog. The woman made haste to the woodshed, where she secured the ax, that being the weapon most available, and rushed to the assistance of her fast weakening canine. The enraged coyote made several ineffectual attempts to reach the woman, and her dress was badly torn by the claws of the animal when it sprang at her throat. Mrs. Horton finally struck the coyote a blow that disabled it, and then with a



SHE SECURED AN AX.

few well directed blows the beast was killed.

The dog was badly used up in the fight, suffering severely from the sharp fangs of its antagonist, but will live. Mrs. Horton was not badly injured. The coyote was undoubtedly driven to its fierce attack through hunger, it being very gaunt.

Red Tape in Germany.

The Deutsche Juristenzeitung records the following instance of Prussian red tape: A woman who disappeared from her home was legally adjudged dead after a time. Three years later she reappeared, proved her identity beyond a doubt, and demanded a passport and other legal documents which Germans are required to possess. The authorities, however, refused to give her the documents, declaring that legally she was dead, and the law courts decided that she could not appeal against the ruling that she was dead, because too great an interval had elapsed for an appeal to be allowable. The courts unfortunate woman is still dead, though very much alive to the absurdities of red tape.

They Don't Bathe in Winter.

A dusty traveler, after signing the register at a hotel in southwest Missouri, informed the colored boy who carried his grip to his room that he would like to take a bath. "Sorry, sah," said the boy, "but we ain't got no bath in this beach house." "How do you people bathe?" asked the guest. "Well, sah," returned the negro, "in de summah we all goes out to de East Fork and ducks in de creek, and in de wintah we jes' wait fo' de good ole summah time."

BENITO, THE PARROT

A Cheerful Bird That Prevented a Horrible Murder.

Frightened Life Out of Would-Be Assassin by Quoting from the Ten Commandments and Denouncing Homicide.

"When it comes to parrots," said J. Cheerful Layer, of Ponto Perido territory, to a New Orleans Times-Democrat man, "the Mexican parrot is undoubtedly the most intelligent of the tribe. The fellow I owned for many years had belonged, ere he came into my hands, to an old Spanish priest, and had picked up, little by little, the larger part of the prayers and sermons of his master's church. He could swear also—the parrot never lived who wouldn't make a cowboy look as small as the left eyelash of an industrial microbe in matters of profanity—but theology was his forte. To this peculiarity of Benito (the creature's appropriate name) I owe the preservation of a life rather important to myself. When the incident I am going to tell you occurred Benito hadn't been my property long, and his accomplishments had not as yet become, as they did later, the wonder and the pride of the entire surrounding country.

"To be brief, I was then, as other great men have been, the object of implacable and cowardly hatred. A number of low-down, immoral characters had sworn to encompass my death, and a greaser called Felipe, an assassin of considerable experience, had been hired at the expense of 25 silver dollars, American money, to stab me to the heart. Permit me to explain, said J. Cheerful Layer, with a complacency not altogether inexcusable, "that this sum is just ten times higher than the standard tariff for assassinations in Ponto Perido. An ordinary person may be dispatched for \$2.50 at any time.

"My family was out of town. About eight p. m., just after dark, Felipe sneaked into my residence and into my bedroom, to await my coming. There was no light anywhere, of course, and the murderer crouched close to the door, with the idea of leaping upon me as I opened it, and dispatching me without noise or trouble. "What his thoughts may have been as he lay in waiting is neither here nor there, but the conscience of even so



FLUNG HIS DAGGER AWAY.

depraved a being as a professional cut-throat must have turned various salomortales when suddenly, coming from nowhere, a ghostly voice sang out:

"Thou shalt not kill."

"Thou shalt not kill."

"Thou shalt not kill."

"Felipe started to break away. But his sense of duty held him back. The 25 pesos were heavy in his pocket. He had given his word, too, and a greaser never breaks a sacred promise to kill. He was trying to persuade himself that his imagination had played him a shabby trick, when, in a voice painfully, horribly distinct, came a hoarse cry on homicide and hell delivered in the purest Spanish, and setting forth at length the terrors of the low world.

"Although half dead, through fright, Felipe still stood steadfast. The sound ceased, and he breathed again.

"Suddenly sounded the peal of a funeral bell. A low chant followed, and the impressive words used in consigning a human atom to eternity floated mournfully through the room. Felipe had heard the service many a time in the old mission chapel, but never so impressively, so weirdly, and he felt that it was a ghostly celebration of his own funeral, and with one wild cry he flung his dagger away and plunged into the night.

"Also into my arms, as I made ready to enter. The assassin's self-possession had fled completely. He confessed his design, sobbing like a sick monkey. Instead of having him hanged, I let him go. He is a fanatical partizan of mine now, and every few months comes to see me, with an offer of removing from my path any friend or enemy I may choose to designate.

"When I came into my room later that night Benito's voice sang: 'Pax Vobiscum!' from the corner where his cage was hidden."

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TWO ODD COMPANIONS.

and Bear on a Log Have a Three
Hours' Session on Necanicum
River.

The Portland Oregonian says that
Conductor Dave Houston, of the South-
ern Pacific railroad, who is taking a ten-
days' vacation at Seaside, had a thrill-
ing experience with a big bear which he
will not soon forget. He only told a few
of the incidents, as he desired to keep it
quiet, but the story leaked out. Con-
ductor Houston is a great fisherman,
and never lets an opportunity slip to cast
the line. He had hardly got settled at
the Seaside when he went out on the
Necanicum river to have a fish all by
himself. He made his way through the
brush until he came to a log, one end
of which projected out into the creek.
That's the place," thought the conduc-



BRUIN SIZED HIM UP.

tor, and, adjusting his line and pole, he
sat out on the log, where he found
himself comfortably perched above the
pool water of Necanicum creek. Hous-
ton lighted his tried and trusty pipe, and
then cast his line. He fished and smoked
perhaps an hour without getting a bite.
Suddenly there was a movement in
the bushes back of him, and then he felt
the log he was sitting on tremble. In-
stinctively the conductor turned around,
when to his amazement he gazed into
the face of a black bear. The latter
seemed to be sizing him up and estimat-
ing how much of a meal the conductor
would make, and whether he would
"scrap" when it came to the point. For
the conductor there seemed no escape.
The bear sat complacently on the shore
back of the log, and it was not possible
for Conductor Houston to get past the
monster. The bear held him there for
several hours before a hunter came
along and killed the animal. The bear
weighed 250 pounds when dressed. Con-
ductor Houston now has a few more
gray hairs in his head as the result of
his experience.

FATHER IS DISTANCED.

Race with Elopement Daughter Ends
with Meeting After Wedding
and in Forgiveness.

"It was a fair race and I lost it by
half an hour. If I had won they would
not have been married. But they won,
and it's all right with me," said George
Stephenson, of Louisiana, Mo., who ar-
rived in Clayton 30 minutes too late to
prevent the marriage of his daughter
Florence to George Paine, also of Lou-
isiana.

The father raced with the couple
without a clue to their whereabouts.
They had a few hours' start of him at
Louisiana, and although he gained on
them constantly through the race, they
won by 30 minutes.

Stephenson left home in anger at the
runaways. As he stepped off a street



"I LOST IN A FAIR RACE."

at Clayton and met them leaving
Justice Guck's office as Mr. and
Mrs. Paine. He gallantly acknowl-
edged defeat and gave them his
blessing.

"I've no mind to find fault when I've
lost in a fair race," said he.
He called on the marriage license
clerk and the justice of the peace, in-
forming them that he was satisfied
with the marriage, and then took his
daughter and son-in-law to the Ter-
minal hotel at St. Louis.

"They are my guests," he told the
clerk. "Here's the marriage license.
They beat me in a race to get it."

Indians Eat White Ants.
White ants are considered a delicacy by
the Indians of South America. They are
sought by pushing into the nest a grass
stalk, which the ants soon cover. In a
few minutes the stalk is withdrawn and
the insects are brushed into a vessel con-
taining water.

FLOGGED BY FATHER.

Tiny Katie Kantor Whipped by Or-
der of Town Recorder.

A Sample of New Jersey Justice
Which Seemed, Ordeal and Un-
American to the Good Peo-
ple of Bayonne.

Residents of Bayonne, N. J., are com-
menting unfavorably on the punishment
meted out to tiny Katie Kantor by or-
der of Recorder Hyman Lazarus in his
court, before 50 spectators. Katie, who
is nine years old, had been accused of
stealing eggs, and Recorder Lazarus
commanded her father to whip her in
the courtroom, the flogging to take
place in front of the bench on which the
justice sits. On several occasions Re-
corder Lazarus has compelled fathers to
spank their wayward boys in open
court, but this is the first time in New
Jersey, as far as can be learned, that
a girl was soundly whipped in public.

The father placed his little child
across his knee and applied the blows
with a leather whip which had 14
thongs. The whip was 16 inches long.
Big red welts were raised on the child's
tender skin by the thongs, and many of
the women present turned away their
heads, not caring to witness such a beat-
ing.

The elder Kantor conducts a small
tailor shop, and his family lives in two
rooms in the rear. There are six chil-
dren, Katie being next to the eldest.

"I didn't steal the eggs," said Katie,
who is an attractive little girl. "I only
took them home to mamma, and thought
it would be all right if we gave the
grocer the money for the eggs later. I
didn't mean not to pay for them."

Katie said she was a pupil in the third
grade of the Fourteenth street public
school of that village. Her favorite
studies are geography and history, she
said, and she declared that she was fond
of study and of her teacher, who was
very good to all the children.

"I had no way out of it; when the
judge said to me to whip Katie I had to
obey him," declared the child's father.



HER FATHER FLOGGED HER.

He produced the leather whip with the
14 thongs, with which he had chastised
the child. He said he had made the
whip purposely to punish his children
with, as he knew of no other method of
correcting them.

"But your father did not whip you
very hard, did he, Katie?" was sug-
gested.

"Yes, indeed he did. He hurt me
awful!" the little girl answered.

"I had to strike hard because the
judge ordered me to do so," explained
the father. "People must always do
what the judge says, mustn't they?
That's the law, isn't it, in this coun-
try?"

Then it developed that the complai-
ant against little Katie had not been
present in court to press the charge
against her, and that therefore the case
ought legally to have been dismissed.
When Kantor's attention was called to
this, he declared that the recorder had
said nothing about that phase of the in-
dictment, but had simply ordered the
punishment to be inflicted, and had di-
rected a court officer to place a chair
in front of the bench for that purpose.

There is talk among residents of Cen-
terville, the suburb of the village in
which the Kantors live, of addressing a
formal protest to Recorder Lazarus,
asking him not to have girls whipped in
his court, pointing out to him the ig-
nomy of such punishment. Katie's
mother said the child could never outlive
the remembrance of the disgraceful
whipping in a public court, and she be-
lieves that such treatment was likely to
ruin a child's future. In this she
voiced the sentiments of the neigh-
bors.

Rudeness Proved Expensive.

Claus Spreckles, the sugar king, has
just made a San Francisco capitalist pay
\$6,000,000 for being disobedient. The cap-
italist is president of a gas and electric
company. Smoke from the company's
plant annoyed Mr. Spreckles and he went
to the president and asked him to abate
the nuisance. The president was extreme-
ly curt to Mr. Spreckles. To avenge him-
self for the affront put upon him
Spreckles established a rival gas and
electric plant at a cost of \$4,000,000 and
began cutting rates. Prices were brought
down to one-fourth what they were when
the old company had the monopoly. At
length the man went to Mr. Spreckles and
begged for quarter. Spreckles' terms were
to be bought out at the price of \$6,000,000,
and to these terms the disobedient cap-
italist had to assent.

Hard on Female Prisoners.

In the prisons of Great Britain neither
male nor female convicts are permitted
to see a mirror during the period of their
incarceration.

PROPOSED ALLIANCE.

Spain and Portugal to Be United Into
One Realm, Under Auspices
of Great Britain.

Official Lisbon papers, pamphlets and
other literature widely distributed hint
at the possibility of a Spanish-Portu-
guese empire under one head, the pres-
ent king, Dom Carlos, offering himself
for the post.

The scheme is to be carried out un-
der the auspices of Great Britain, and
it is hoped that no warlike complica-
tions may result. A correspondent
mentioned the matter to a high official
of Dom Carlos' court, and the gentleman
had no hesitation whatever to put
himself on record. He said: "The
present king of Spain is not expected to
live long; at any rate he will die

DOM CARLOS OF PORTUGAL.
(He May Be Made Ruler of a Spanish-
Portuguese Empire.)

without issue. The throne will then go
to his sister, the princess of Asturias,
married to the son of the count of
Caserte, who, as Dom Carlos' chief of
staff, murdered 10,000 Spaniards. On
account of the hatred the Spanish peo-
ple bear the Casertes, they will never
suffer the princess of the Asturias to
reign. Therefore two possibilities
loom up: The republic or the choice of a
new ruler. The republican party is dis-
credited in Spain, and if it comes to
choosing a new king the ruler of Por-
tugal has the best chance, especially
when supported by Great Britain.

"Spain is still fretting under the de-
feat of the late war with the United
States, the loss of her colonies hurt her
pride, and her pocket as well. Union
with Portugal would mean the ac-
quisition of new colonies and a new era
of glory and prosperity might be inaug-
urated under King Carlos. It should be
remembered that the crown of Spain
was offered to King Louis of Portugal
before the Spaniards thought of Ama-
deus, afterwards dethroned. At that
time Portugal was not ready to add to
her responsibilities, she had no al-
liances, either. Besides, King Louis
had patriotic scruples. As a Portuguese
he refused to be crowned in Madrid.

"If Dom Carlos assumes the crown
of Spain, the two kingdoms will be
consolidated into an empire and will
become a great power. The king has no
faith in a 'personal union' like that
formed by Sweden and Norway. Nei-
ther does he believe in a war to gain a
crown. He thinks the Spanish diadem
will come to him as a matter of peace-
ful evolution."

CHIP OF OLD BLOCK.

Col. George B. McClellan, Son of the
Famous General, Is a Born
Leader of Men.

Among the younger democratic politi-
cians of New York, none is more popular
than Col. George B. McClellan, who is
Tammany Leader Murphy's candidate
for mayor of Greater New York, and is
now serving his fourth term in congress.
He was president of the New York board
of aldermen in 1893-94, and from 1889 to
1892 was treasurer of the Brooklyn

GEORGE B. MCCLELLAN.
(Choice of Tammany's Leader for Mayor
of New York.)

Bridge corporation. He is a graduate
of Princeton, class of 1886, and for a
number of years worked as a reporter
and special writer on the New York
newspapers. He was born in Dresden,
Saxony, in 1865, when his parents, the
famous general, known as "Little Mac,"
and his wife, were abroad on a visit.
Col. McClellan is a close observer of pub-
lic affairs, and has several times demon-
strated his ability as a debater and leader
of men.

Electric Light Swindle.

A hotel in Bangor, Me., contracted with
an electric light company to put in seven
electric lights. After they were in
working order, the hotel employed a
handy man to tap the wire surreptitiously
on the street side of the motor, and
add 49 lights more.

Gray Horses Live Longest.
Gray horses live longer than those of
any other color. Cream-colored steeds
are usually delicate, and much affected
by warm weather.

FORTY BIG AIRSHIPS.

All Will Take Part in the Coming
Races at Paris.

Contents to Be Provided Over by San-
tos-Dumont—All Working for
the Solution of Secret of
Avian Flight.

The airship races which are to take
place in Paris during the coming sum-
mer will mark an epoch in dirigible
balloon building. The most famous
aeronauts in the world, headed by San-
tos-Dumont, will gather together in
the French capital and there engage
in a series of interesting test matches
to decide which among their number
has come nearest to a correct solution
of the secrets of avian flight. Santos-
Dumont will launch three new vessels,
any one of which, he is convinced, will
prove a dangerous rival to those of
Touz, the Lebaudy, the Spencers and
other well-known aeronauts.

By general desire M. Santos-Dumont
is to be the president of these airship
races, and he is taking an infinitude of
trouble to insure their perfect suc-
cess. His airship station, the first of
the kind, is now well forward in con-
struction, and when completed will be
one of the most interesting buildings
in the world. The huge barn, as he
calls it, is divided into seven sections,
or stalls, each capable of housing the
biggest airship ever built.

Three of these sections will be oc-
cupied by M. Santos-Dumont's own ves-
sels, but the remaining four will be at
the service of any fellow aeronaut who
desires temporary accommodation for
his ship. Each section will be fur-
nished with double doors opening out-
ward, and the method which the in-
ventor intends to adopt in releasing
the airship is novel and ingenious.
Running out from each "stall" will be
a single line of rails, some 200 yards
long, bearing a substantially built
truck. From the stern and bows of
the airship strong ropes will connect

M. SANTOS-DUMONT.
(Brazilian Aeronaut Who Will "reside"
Over Paris Races.)

the vessel to this truck, which will be
held in position by four men.

On the race days the doors will be
flung open and each truck with the air-
ship attached, run out and made to
"see the line," so that the vessels will
have equal chances of winning. At a
given signal the aeronauts will cast
off and the fight for the mastery of the
air will begin. There will be no crowd-
ing, each vessel having plenty of room,
so that the chances of a false start will
be reduced to a minimum.

It is at these Parisian races that M.
Santos-Dumont will compete with M.
Lebaudy in the fight for the 100,000-
franc prize. M. Lebaudy will sail his
famous "Yellow One," a large vessel ca-
pable of carrying three people. His op-
ponent, however, intends to try a
smaller vessel, and will sail with one
assistant only. Both aeronauts are
confident of success, and the race is
looked forward to as one of the most
exciting in the annals of ballooning.

It is not known yet how many air-
ships will take part in these races, but
in Paris alone there are at present
building, or already built, no fewer
than 14 first-class vessels. M. Dumont
is now booking entries from all parts
of Europe, and he confidently expects
that the number of dirigible balloons
competing will amount to something
not far short of 40.

Among those vessels already entered
for the races are the Rose, the biggest
airship in the world; La Ville de Paris,
a vessel similar in construction and
shape to those built by M. Dumont;
the famous Firmin Rozouan "bottle-
shape" balloons; the General Tour, built
by the son of the well known soldier;
and the National.

M. Santos-Dumont is also busy su-
perintending the building of what will
be the biggest airship in the world,
bigger even than the Rose. It is fur-
nished with four wicker baskets, each
of which will hold three persons.
There are to be three decks and for
stability it will not have its equal—in
the air. At least, that is what the in-
ventor claims for it. The supposition
that M. Santos-Dumont would have
found some difficulty in persuading a
dozen people to trust their lives in the
new ship would be but nature, but such
is the craving for excitement in these
days that he has already re-
ceived the names of over a hundred
volunteers who desire to make the first
trip in this monster balloon.

Coal in the United States.

T. K. Adams, a mine inspector of
Mercer county, Pennsylvania, says
that the last haul of coal will be mined
in the United States in the year 2052.
He said there is about enough coal in
the United States to last 700 years at
the present rate of consumption, but
that out of that the demand doubles
in 10 years and should the ratio be
ad. the coal will be exhausted
a next 125 years.

COLORED MAN HONORED.

Maj. Franklin A. Denison, of Chicago,
Knows How to Command Gen-
erate Respect.

In no state more than in Illinois does
the able and deserving negro receive
prompt and distinguished recognition.
This is well illustrated in the case of
Maj. Franklin A. Denison, a colored law-
yer of Chicago, who, a few days ago,
was appointed quartermaster, with the
rank of major, on the staff of Gen. James
B. Smith, of the Third brigade, Illinois
national guard. It is not the first time
that Maj. Denison has been honored as
a colored man of signal ability. He was
the first colored man ever elected valedic-
torian of his class in a northern col-
lege; he was the first colored man ever
appointed a city prosecuting attorney
in the north; he was the first colored man

MAJ. F. A. DENISON.
(Colored Soldier Who Has Been Made
Brigade Quartermaster.)

to serve as president of a general court-
martial in the United States army, and
the first colored man to sit on a court of
army claims.

Maj. Denison was born in San Antonio,
Tex., in 1862. He obtained his early ed-
ucation in the public schools of the Tex-
as city. Later he was graduated from
Lincoln university, in Pennsylvania, as
honorary man of his class, and in 1890 was
graduated from the old Union college
of law (now the law school of North-
western university), carrying off the
highest honors for scholarship and being
elected as valedictorian and class orator.
In 1891 Mayor Washburne, of Chi-
cago, appointed him assistant prosecut-
ing attorney, a position he held through
the administrations of Mayors Harris-
son, Sr., Hopkins and Swift, the last
named promoting him to be chief of his
department. In 1897 he resigned to take
up the general practice of law, in which
he built up a lucrative business, with
white persons as well as colored among
his clientele.

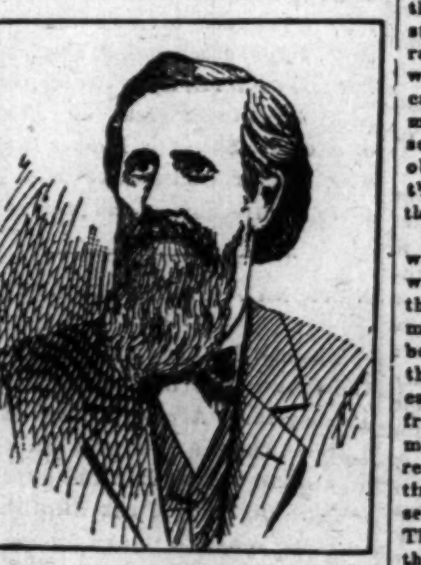
At the beginning of the Spanish-
American war Maj. Denison joined the
Eighth regiment, Illinois national
guard, and was soon after commissioned
major, and took command of the Third
battalion. He went to Cuba with his
regiment, and there Gen. Lawton made
him president of the general court-mar-
tial of the district, the only colored man
who ever held such an important place
in the army. Later Gen. Lawton ap-
pointed him one of the three judges of
the court of army claims at Santiago.
It was this tribunal before which all
claims for damage done to the property
of Cubans by the invading army were
brought.

After being mustered out of the serv-
ice with his regiment in 1899, Maj. Den-
ison resumed the practice of law in Chi-
cago with greater success than ever. He
is married, has a family and a hand-
some home.

ISAAC STEPHENSON.

Venerable Wisconsin Business Man
Who May Be the Next Gov-
ernor of His State.

Isaac Stephenson, who, according to
the prophecy of William E. Curtis, will
be the next governor of Wisconsin, has
done more, perhaps, than any other liv-
ing man for the development of the in-
dustries of his state. He was born in
New Brunswick in 1829, and went to
Wisconsin at the age of 12. After work-
ing on a farm, he bought a schooner
which he sailed between Milwaukee and
Escanaba, and invested the savings of
his enterprise in timber lands. He is
now president of a large lumbering
company and owns the controlling in-
terest in a bank, named after him. He
has served in the state legislature, and
represented his state in the house of
representatives at Washington.

ISAAC STEPHENSON.
(Lumberman Who May Be the Next Gov-
ernor of Wisconsin.)

Having seen the body on its way to
Bangor, "Jimmy" Bell and "Danny"
Molloy turned back through the wil-
derness for the Allegash, and over the
death of their friend "Reddy," but sat-
isfied that they had done all that they
could do, and knowing that they need
not be ashamed to go back to Bangor
and face the neighbors in Hancock
street. And is Bangor those who know
them say: "Jimmy and Danny's all
right!"

WERE TRUE TO CHUM.

Human Nature in the Fierce Wil-
derness of Maine.

How Two Log Drivers Took Body of
Their Dead Comrade Home—Lots
of Soot and Devotion in
Their Making.

James Bell and Daniel Molloy, of
Bangor, Me., have proved themselves
"true blue" heroes, but they will get
no medals—only the heartfelt thanks
of poor people, the weeping mother
and sisters of John Haggerty, and
credit from every lumberman on the
Penobscot for having lots of "sand"
in their make-up.

It was seven weeks ago that John
Francis Haggerty, of Bangor, better
known as "Reddy" Haggerty, a first-
class log driver, and he went to the
far-away Allegash with 50 others, in-
cluding some friends from his own
town. Five weeks ago Haggerty be-
came sick, having taken cold, and on
a recent Sunday he died—some say
from typhoid fever, others from para-
monia. No one bothers to find out
the details of a woodman's taking off,
for that takes time, and while men
are plentiful, time is limited. "Hurry
the job" is the main idea.

When, after lingering for weeks in
a wretched hotel, with no care save
what his loyal chums could give him
in their rough way, and with never
a drop of medicine—when, after un-
told suffering, poor Haggerty died, the
first thing that occurred to the boss
of the drive was to dispose of the body,
and he ordered it buried then and
there, in the wilderness of the Alle-
gash, where the little mound would
soon be lost in the tangle of under-
growth, unmarked and forgotten. The
task of thus disposing of the mortal
remains of "Reddy" Haggerty fell to
his two chief cronies—"Jimmy" Bell
and "Danny" Molloy, of Bangor. They
were to hurry about it, too, for the
drive was making slow progress, and
their services were needed every min-
ute to prevent the logs from being
hung up.

Bell and Molloy fully refused to do
the bidding of the boss. They knew



WAIST DEEP IN ICY WATER.

that Haggerty's mother would sorrow
to the end of her days if the body of
her boy were left in the wilderness,
and they also felt that the reproaches
of all Hancock street, where they lived,
and were brought up together, would
be upon them if they should fail to do
what they could to bring the body
home. The hotel on the Allegash
where poor Haggerty died, was 300
miles north of Bangor, and there was
not even a tote road through the
woods to Patten, the nearest settle-
ment. They could see, towering
above the mists, the summit of Kata-
din, and with that for a guide, they
determined to make the attempt to
carry the corpse out.

Telling the boss of Lawler's drive
that, so far as they were concerned,
the logs could stay there and rot, Bell
and Molloy placed the body of their
dead chum in the bottom of a canoe,
and, taking a handful of salt fish and
hardtack, they started down the Al-
legash. They had not gone far when
they found that the canoe was in dan-
ger of being dashed to pieces against
the rocks that studded the shallow
stream, where the current runs a mil-
lirace, and so they got out in
water, waist deep, and

canoe, guiding it carefully, for
miles. At nightfall Sunday they were
so benumbed with cold that they were
obliged to halt, and, pulling
the canoe up on the bank,
they made a big fire.
On Monday they came to a stretch
where the water was so quick that one
was obliged to care for the canoe while
the other carried the body for five
miles on his shoulder, struggling over
boulders, in rapids and through
thorny underbrush. At noon they
came to smooth water again, and
from there to the journey's end it was
merely a question of endurance. They
reached Patten in the afternoon, in-
time to have the body cared for and
sent in the evening train to Bangor.
They were so much exhausted that
they staggered as they passed through
the streets of Patten, and were un-
able to eat the food set before them.
It was an awful experience, ever so
the wily, tough-muscled Bangor log
drivers.

Having seen the body on its way to
Bangor, "Jimmy" Bell and "Danny"
Molloy turned back through the wil-
derness for the Allegash, and over the
death of their friend "Reddy," but sat-
isfied that they had done all that they
could do, and knowing that they need
not be ashamed to go back to Bangor
and face the neighbors in Hancock
street. And is Bangor those who know
them say: "Jimmy and Danny's all
right!"

Diminutive Mexican Dog.
A little Mexican dog, of the Chihuahua breed, 16 months old, and weighing only 13 ounces, is a pet of Deputy Sheriff Hamilton Raynor, of El Paso, Tex. It is so small that it easily stands with all four feet resting on the palm of its owner's hand.

WAS VERY PATHETIC

Lady Visitor Shed the Most Charming Tears Ever Known.

Saw the Room Where She Had Spent Many Happy Days and Also Saw Other Things, Which She Took Along.

Tears in Mrs. Cutler's eyes were such an unusual sight that the whole family were concerned. Reasons for that manifestation of grief were solicited and demanded, and are given thus by the New York Times:

"It is the thought of that poor young lady that makes me cry," said Mrs. Cutler. "She was such a very sad young lady. She could hardly speak for crying. She came in about two o'clock. She hadn't really called to see me. She wanted to see a Mrs. McClellan, but when she found there was no Mrs. McClellan here she said I would do."

"I am awfully sorry to disturb you," she said. "I thought Mrs. McClellan was still here. She lived here five years ago. I lived with her. I had the second story back room. What a sweet room that was! I loved it dearly. I called to-day to see it. I don't want to live in it again—I couldn't afford to live in such a nice place now, and, anyway, I see that you do not keep boarders—but I am very fond of the room, and I should like to see it. I am going to leave New York for a while, and I should like to bid the place good-by. Possibly you cannot understand my feeling in the matter. The place is endeared to me by many associations. Love came to me in that room, and joy and death. It may be that I am absurdly sentimental, but I am very blue to-day, and somehow I have an idea that I should feel better if I could sit down in there for a few minutes and think and plan."

"At that," said Mrs. Cutler, choking back her own sobs, "the pretty young thing began to cry, and I cried with her. I never felt so sorry for anybody in my life. I told her that of course she could see the room, and sit in it till dinner time if she felt so disposed. Then I took her upstairs. The minute she stepped



"THANK YOU, MRS. CUTLER."

inside that room the poor young thing was so overcome with emotion that she sat down on the edge of the bed and cried as if her heart would break. I knew she would not like to be watched, so I stepped out and left her alone with her sorrow for a few minutes. When she joined me in the hall she had stopped crying and appeared more resigned.

"Thank you, Mrs. Cutler," she said. "My little visit has done me a world of good. I can go away now in a much happier frame of mind."

"Humph!" grunted Cutler, Jr., as he made a bee-line for the stairway.

"Did the woman have a valise?" he asked.

"Y-y-yes," stammered Mrs. Cutler.

"She said she was going to leave the city. I presume she just stopped in here on her way to the ferry."

"Quite likely," cried Cutler, Jr., as he bounded up the stairs.

A hurried examination showed him what things were missing.

"My silver combs and brushes," he said, "two suits of clothes, a pair of shoes, and the onyx clock. Her depositions were probably limited by the size of the valise, but even so she made a pretty good haul. If she works on the sympathies of other women as she did on yours she will be ready to start up a fully stocked department store of her own by the first of January."

Mrs. Cutler listened dully. Even when they learned later that the woman with the broken heart had worked upon other sympathetic souls with equal profit, she could not understand the situation.

"I don't care," she said, in reply to Cutler, Jr.'s, veiled reproaches and outspoken advice. "She was a lovely young lady, and she certainly did know how to cry if ever anybody did."

Cowards Slay Harmless Man.

A band of cowardly cowboys, in a Montana district, who no doubt imagine themselves brave fellows, captured an unfortunate shepherd and beat him with whips until he was dead. His only offense was that, having been warned to take himself and his sheep away from that part of the state, he had refused to go.

Funerals Cheap in Mexico.

Funerals are not costly in Mexico. When a poor person dies the corpse is tightly wrapped in matting and placed in a coffin hired for about 50 cents. A couple of natives place the coffin on their heads and go to a trot to the grave, where the body is interred, and the coffin is then returned.

SLEEPS IN OLD HEARSE.

Retired Undertaker, When He Dies, Will Be Cremated in the Historic Vehicle.

Josiah Newcastle, of Bilboro, N. Y., an aged and retired undertaker, sleeps in an old hearse which, years ago, he used in his business. The old man lies alone in a barn on his premises and rents his farm and dwelling out. For 15 years he has slept in the hearse. The latter is an antiquated affair containing the old-fashioned oval glass windows and floors and the usual lugubrious trimmings and draperies.

Newcastle was an undertaker during the civil war and conducted what was known as the "underground railway." He was paid fabulous sums to get



PROUD OF HIS HEARSE.

founded union soldiers—and in fact anyone else who was willing to pay the price for transit—over into Canada in those troublesome times. The hearse still contains the tell-tale "air-holes," which afforded the supposed corpse air. In the hearse was a rough box ingeniously made with holes to admit enough oxygen to let the "corpse" breathe.

The hearse, box, and the faithful team of jet blacks owned by Newcastle at that time, combined with the undertaker's natural stock of craft and diplomacy, secured the exit to Canada for several hundred soldiers and others inclined that way. The hearse brought in Newcastle more than \$50,000.

He was twice married. His last wife died 25 years ago, when the old man decided to spend the rest of his days in the barn and in his hearse. The latter is cleaned every day and the brass rails kept shiny. The equipment of the hearse consists of a hair mattress, two quilts, a sanitary bird and an old lantern. Newcastle cheerfully shows the hearse to all persons with good intent. He has requested that at his death the hearse and his body be cremated together. He has one brother living in Michigan who will carry out this request of his eccentric undertaker brother.

LOST WEDDING RING.

Bride Hurled Apple Core from Washington Monument and the Trinket Slipped Off.

According to the Washington correspondent of the New York World, the wedding ring of a bride is lost in the grass at the Washington monument. It has been sought in vain. Custodian Craig has had the grass cut to facilitate the search.

A young man and woman creeping about on their hands and knees in the grass attracted much attention. It was ascertained that they were a newly married couple from Baltimore. They had come to this city on their wedding tour. They went up to the top of the monument, which is 555 feet high, and took some apples with them. While looking at the city from this great height they munched the apples.

"See how far you can throw the core," said the bridegroom.

"Oh, you think a girl can't throw," said the bride.

"You try it," said the bridegroom.

"I'll try it," said the bride.

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Her Fault.

Her eyes are soulful and azure. She moves with an airy grace; There is something sweetly classic in the lines of her winsome face; Her figure is lithe and supple. She dresses in faultless style. Her beautiful lips seem always half hiding a happy smile. She's the daintiest, rarest, fairest of all the maidens I know. But she doesn't pronounce it "pro-grum." With the accent on the pro.

She has gazed from the lofty Rockies. She has traveled across the sea; She has delved in the depths of Omar, And oft she quotes him to me; When her fingers stray o'er the harp-strings.

I forget that the world has wrongs. And dream of nymphs and of fairies. And seem to hear angels' songs; She is winsome and fair and gentle—She can't be a lady, though. For she doesn't pronounce it "pro-grum." With the accent on the pro.

—E. E. Kiser, in Chicago Record-Herald.

Fighters and Fighters.

"In France," boasted the man with the shagging shoulders, "we have the science of the combatting to a fine point got. We fight with the feet."

"Ugh!" retorted the sporty American. "You're not so far ahead of us. Our pugilists fight with their mouths!"

Lack of confidence in savings banks caused a mechanic of Paterson, N. J., to board his money in an excelsior mattress. His wife, a tidy housekeeper, bought a new mattress, and consigned the old one to the flames. She thus reduced the national debt \$473, that being the amount of greenbacks carefully stored away in a corner of the mattress.

All day, all day the shuttles fly Across the noisy loom; All day, all day the maidens sigh Adown the busy room. All day, all day the big machines And belted pulleys play; All day, all day the same old song, All day, all day.

All day, all day the foreman's eyes Sweep o'er the humdrum place, All day, all day a grim expression lies Upon his changeless face. All day, all day a thousand feet Tread through the weary way; All day, all day to labor's beat, All day, all day.

All day, all day the bent souls yearn For freedom from the toll; All day, all day the pulleys turn, Begrimed with dust and oil. All day, all day the tollers' fate, 'Tis drudge or never pay; All day, all day the endless gait, All day, all day.

Optimistic.

Troubles? You've had troubles! Couldn't tell me half? I ain't gwine ter let you try, I'm too full of laughs!

Heart-breaks? You've had heart-breaks! Now, ain't that a sin! On'y thing I know for them's Just a good cry.

What I had yesterday? Blowed away like chaff; Troubles come are wiped away By the present laugh.

Think what may come to me? Life's too short to think! When misfortune comes I'll just Pass her with a wink!

Don't bring me your troubles! But if you've a grin Big enough for two of us Come a-struttin' in! —J. M. Lewis, in Houston Post.

The Noon-Hour.

A brief respite from labor in the middle of the day. When tired hands and feet may rest awhile along the way; A halt for reinforcement where the weary one may find. New strength to help him onward through the day's exhausting grind.

The Master has provided all along life's troubled way. Noon-hours for our refreshment, let us use them when we may; Best seasons of communion: while eternal ages roll. We'll hold in sweet remembrance all these noon-hours of the soul. —George D. Welwick, in N. Y. Observer.

Death's Ministry.

O Death, you may be sweeter than we know. That we may see, With faces of love's angels bending low In that hour of ministry. When spirit, leaving time, lays by its mortal clay, perhaps to die is sweeter than we think. To reach the brink Of that vast ecstasy, longed for in dreams, Perhaps redeems From mortal woe's keen anguish at the last. Before the veil is rent entire and passed. —Geo. Kilgus, in Christian Work.

Now a Statue Started.

Very warlike is the aspect of a singular equestrian statue in Belgium, yet there is no cause for alarm, since it is nothing but a tree. Some ten years ago a police officer retired from the force and went to live near Charleroi. Being an amateur horticulturist, he used himself a good deal with trees and flowers and one day as he was trimming a hawthorn in his garden it occurred to him that it would be a novel idea to train it in such a manner that it would eventually assume the figure of a cavalry officer. At once he went to work, and after ten years' labor he succeeded in transforming the tree into a perfect picture of a mounted soldier. The tree is known in the neighborhood as "Gen. Hawthorn," and hardly a day passes that strangers do not come from a considerable distance in order to view this wonderful example of horticultural art.—Detroit Free Press.

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By Miss May Clematis.

Some girls are too fresh.
Do not go alone on excursions.
Every girl should protect herself.
Do not expect too much anxiety.
Do not expect to please everybody.
Courtship is of short duration now.
Never introduce yourself to a male.
Do not imagine that you are pretty.
It is in bad taste to admire yourself.
Artifice is like fresh cake it will get stale.
Independence in a girl will command respect.
S. T. You must be able to protect yourself.
Be slow to speak but quick to comprehend.
Self pride will after lead to ridicule and disgust.
When your conscience is right, you need not fear.
Always be on time when you intend to attend church.
What will please some people will not satisfy others.
The honeymoon lasts three days only and hardly that.
O. T. Dresses have been quite pretty this summer.
Do your duty and nothing more can be expected of you.
Everything that becomes other people may not become you.
He will not respect you, neither should you ask to be introduced.
Familiarity should not be tolerated, it will cause you to be disrespected.
Nellie. Deception is very often prevalent in a foolish minded girl.
Korah. Do not be selfish. It is in bad taste to impose upon a true friend.
Paint on the face is vulgar. It readily demonstrates the character of the woman.
Nellie. A lady will allow a man to walk with her with a cigar or cigarette in his mouth.
Miss E. You should not doubt when you see evidences of affections and of identity.
Re what you are and do not ever attempt to make of yourself something else.
Your good senses will teach you whether you are respected by your male escort.
Always keep one thing in view and that is always keep the gossip's tongue quiet.
A good house wife knows how to manage a house and what will please her husband.
Miss O. Do not believe everything that is said to you. It is well to weigh well everything.
Sadie. Do not imagine that your name cannot be filed by another. Girls are often of this opinion.
Bea. Be contented and you will succeed. There are times in ones life as acts become buglesome.
Miss R. M. Flashy dressing will become some people but what ones hangings are is another question.
Etna. Friendship can be alienated by coolness and indifference. Some people cannot appreciate true friendship.
Miss T. M. You cannot expect to hold your friends by deception. The deception was given to you some time ago.
Ida. How can you expect to demand respect if you do not respect yourself? You ask for advice. Be wise and let your actions and conduct show that you are.
I. M. All work is honorable, and should never be considered to do menial work. If you are of honor and where you may be of what may be doing.
Mr. M. You doubt yourself, hence cannot trust others. You must be confident in some body. Never be so foolish as to let your suspicions be so easily convinced. Do not suspect a friend without cause.
J. A. Take life as you find it. It is not your duty to know what is to come. It is better for you to go on and not to stop and first up. You cannot afford to participate in the pleasures of life if you expect to remain in the work in the fall. Your duty is to permit you. Take a good rest.

This Was a Grateful Snake

Big Blacksnake Helped Farmer Howell Out of a Scrape in Return for Not Running Over Him—Killed Fifty Rattles and Then Went Along to Protect Him from More—An Affectionate Farewell.

BUT THAT ain't nothin'," said Manly Howell, of Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, to a Chicago Inter-Ocean man, who had been telling snake stories. "to a black snake I met once. I was drivin' down the mountainside, with a load of tanbark, when all at once dead ahead I saw a good-sized log laying across the road. These here mountain roads, as you fellers know, ain't much for drivin' and I didn't want to give my gizzard any extra shaking up by running over a saw log, so I pulled up the team and got out to lift the log away.



SNAKE STOOD ON HIS TAIL.

He didn't make a move to get out of the way—net a bit—and after that wink he just left himself stretched as cool as you please across the road. I hate like tarnation to kill a blacksnake, knowing how they kill rattlers and coppers, so when I saw he wasn't goin' to get out of the way and let me pass, I took him by the tail and carried him to one side and got on the wagon and drove on.

"About a week later I was up on the same road again. This time I was lookin' around tryin' to locate huckleberry patches so as to be in the first pickin' when they got ripe, when first I knew I landed in the center of the biggest den of rattlers I ever see. Yes, sir, there might a been a hundred or more of 'em snakes, and certainly not less than 75. Anyway, they was thick, and I knowed I was up against it when they all began buzzin' and collin' at once.

"Well, about this time the snakes,

born a sagacious lot, say to themselves, 'We'll surround him, so as he can't run, and then we'll have him.' Rattles is among the smartest snakes alive. I heard of one once that was a pet of a telegrapher and who could take his master's place at the key when he wanted to take a nap. All he'd do was to rattle his tail on the key and the electricity did the rest.

"Well, as I was sayin', I was soon the center spot of a circle of collin' rattlers, and I was just startin' to give up the ghost when a big blacksnake came boundin' up to my side. There he stood on his tail, and when his face came to mine—I'm over six feet in my socks—he give me a broad wink.

"By gum," I says, 'you're the same feller I picked up by the tail the other day and lifted out of the road.'

"The snake nodded.

"By gum," I says, 'I believe you've come to help me out of this scrape in return for not runnin' over you,' I says.

"The snake nodded.

"Then," says I, 'you can't begin none too soon.'

"With that the reptile got off his tail quicker'n lightning and was at about a dozen rattlers at once. I don't know exactly how it happened, but sure as I am alive and settin' here this minute, before I had been able to lay about and kill more'n half a dozen rattlers, that blacksnake was at my side and standing on his tail and looking into my face and winkin' ag'in.

"At that I looked around and counted 50 or more dead reptiles and nary a live rattler.

"By gum," I says, 'I do believe you've killed 'em all.'

"The snake nodded.

"You've saved my life," I says, 'and I'm grateful.'

"The snake winked and nodded.

"Now," I says, 'I'm goin' home an' when I get there I'm goin' to tell the people what I know about you, and tell 'em if they run across you not to harm you, because you're a friend of mine.'

"At that the snake flopped off his tail, stood on his head, held his tail in the air, and shook hands with me.

"Well, so long, old friend. Hope I'll see you soon again," I says, and starts off.

"But bless my suspender buttons if that snake don't crawl longside of me. All the time he keeps lookin' from right to left, and finally I got to thinkin' and at last says:

"By gum, I believe you're goin' along to protect me from any rattlers that might happen along."

"The snake nods and winks.

"Well, sir, that snake wiggle alongside of me for ten miles, until I struck the edge of the town. Then he stops, puts his tail in my hand and winks.

"Well," I says, shakin' it, 'you're a brick, you are, and I hate to part with you. But good-bye, and I'll remember you when we meet ag'in.'

"He winks solemn like and crawls off the way we come."

Snake Tried to Swallow It, But Couldn't, and Was Slowly Choked to Death.

A record-breaking snake story, the truthfulness of which cannot be doubted, comes from A. L. Osterhage, postmaster at Freelandville, Ind. His wife had been missing eggs from her henhouse for several days. The other evening she stepped into the henhouse to gather what eggs were there, when she was startled by a monster snake coiled up near the nests. The snake was in the act of swallowing a porcelain nest egg.

Mrs. Osterhage quietly slipped away without disturbing the busily engaged reptile, and, going to a near-by shed, secured an ax with which to dispatch the egg thief. She was absent but a few moments, and on returning was surprised to find the snake stretched out on the floor.



FOUND THE SNAKE DEAD.

of the house dead, with the porcelain nest egg wedged firmly in its throat, the reptile having choked to death on the artificial egg. Mrs. Osterhage chopped the body of the snake in twain and four artificial nest eggs were disclosed. The snake measured five feet and four inches in length and was of the viper species.

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At One Time It Rained Bass, At Another, Frogs and Tadpoles.

Strangely Truthful Man Might Have Added, Without Injuring His Reputation for Veracity, That It Also Might Have Rained Liars Down on the Coast of the Gulf of Mexico.

"SOME years ago I was at a popular place on the Gulf coast, a place which has become famous for fine fishing, and particularly for the big catches of black bass which have marked the sport in that region," says a strangely truthful man in the New Orleans Times-Democrat.

"There is a fine sweep of clear tableland at that place, and it stretched out from the house I occupied toward the coast line and seemed to almost lose itself in the blue waters of the big gulf. Often the clouds of that section seemed to grow right up out of the sea, and waterpouts of the smaller kind are by no means uncommon. As will hereinafter appear, these conditions will explain the phenomena

clouds which had hovered over that section, the temperature had been favorable to the growth and development of the fish, and there was, for some reason, a sudden precipitation which covered the land area near my place with fish. That was the whole explanation of the thing.

"But there had been another little incident in my career which gave operation to the same principle, and again established the accuracy of the theory which science has promulgated. It happened in the same section of the country, and was no doubt brought about by the same conditions. But this other peculiar happening did not redound to my material benefit. I did not get a mess of fish out of it. Nevertheless, it excited the keenest imaginable wonderment, and while my stomach did not profit, I enjoyed a rare mental feast as the result of it all. The shower was not quite so heavy as the black bass shower, though it was of longer duration. I had noticed the same peculiar atmospheric conditions which obtained prior to the heavy shower of black bass. But the storm blew up from a different direction from back in the marshy regions where the frogs and tadpoles hold high carnival, and where they are as thick in breeding season as hair on a dog's back.



BASS COVERED THE GROUND.

I am about to describe. One day—it was along in the afternoon, toward sunset—a sudden shower came and I heard a fearful tumbling and fluttering around the house. It seemed as if a cloud had fallen toward the earth and had wrapped itself around the little shanty I was occupying. As soon as the clattering had ceased I ventured out into the open. I never was more astonished in my life than at the sight that met my gaze. The ground was simply covered with floundering black bass, and I hurried out with a basket and picked up enough for a fine fish supper, and it was as fine a lot of fish as I ever beheld. You see, the spawn had been thrown out by a waterpout, the wind had blown and shifted it about with the

"The sight which I beheld on this occasion was even stranger than what happened during the raining of black bass. During the showering I could hear something hit the ground, and I would give out a sound something like a hollow rubber ball, and would bounce up and down. I started out to make an examination of the ground. The ground was very hard. It had been caked by the sun. These little black objects, rebounding when they hit the ground, presented one of the strangest sights I have ever seen. Well, sir, after the rain was over I went on the outside to make an examination of the ground. The ground was literally covered with frogs and tadpoles of all sizes and conditions, and I never saw a more conglomerate lot of hops in my life. Breweries? Well, that job is too old to spring. But the point is that it rained frogs and tadpoles in large quantities. By the way, what is the matter with the idea of fishing in midair, when we get to flyin' around in air-ships, after awhile? But that is another story, as Kipling would say, and I'll tell you about it some other time," and the old fisherman knocked the ashes out of his pipe and meandered.

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"Don't Take Off My Foot, Only Fix It," She Said, and Then Bore Pain Stoleally.

Marion Tweedale, of New York, six years old, proved herself a heroine when an ice wagon ran over her right foot and crushed it. She was seated in a toy chair outside the curb opposite her home, at No. 154 West Eighteenth street, when this happened. She re-



"JUST FIX IT"

fused to let Ambulance Surgeon Thorne take her to the New York hospital, fearing, she said, that the doctors would cut off the foot.

When the shoe was cut off the surgeon tried to conceal the injury from the child while he bandaged it.

"Now you let me see my foot and I won't cry any more," she pleaded.

"You must not cut it off," she continued emphatically.

The doctor complied, and the child leaned back after an inspection. "Now go ahead, doctor," she remarked, "but don't cut it off. Just fix it."

The child bore the pain of ten stitches without a murmur. When she was carried into the house after the foot had been bandaged, she said:

"Thank you, doctor; you have been very good to me."

Big Indiana Oak Tree.

The largest oak tree in Indiana was lately cut down on the farm of Joseph M. Johnson, near Amor. At the base it measured six and a half feet in diameter. It yielded 6,790 feet of lumber.

PREACHER STOPS SHAVE.

New York Clergyman Leaves Toilet Unfinished to Join Elopers Couple in Matrimony.

The details of the wedding on a train of W. Dell Balch, treasurer of a leading printing firm of Utica, N. Y., and Miss Rose Lynch, his bookkeeper, have just become known. Mr. Balch and Miss Lynch recently decided to get married, but the parents of the young woman objected.

Miss Lynch left Utica on the Adirondack express train at 30 minutes of two o'clock Thursday afternoon, and Mr. Balch took another train half an hour earlier. At Remsen he got off and looked for a minister. A young man told Mr. Balch where a preacher could be found.

The fiance hurried to a house two blocks from the railroad station, where a Baptist minister was found. The parson was shaving himself. Mr. Balch's entreaties induced the minister to stop the operation.

With one cheek shaved and the other unshorn, the clergyman, Mr. Balch and



MINISTER STOPPED SHAVING.

a picked-up witness rushed back to the railroad station just as the express rolled in. A stateroom was engaged, and between Remsen and Forestport the ceremony was performed. The minister got off at a flag station, and the newly-wedded couple went on to Raquette lake to spend their honeymoon. A dispatch was sent to Miss Lynch's parents informing them of the marriage.



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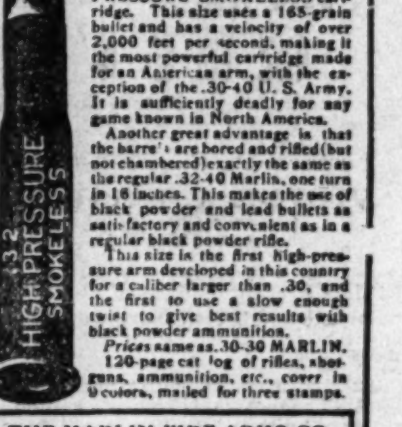
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—Mrs. M. L. Rayne, in Chicago Record-Herald.

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